Local, Intergovernmental and Regional Affairs Committee

House Standing Committee -- 5/10/2012

Testimony Against: HB 5566 through HB 5570.

Dear Esteemed Lawmakers,

It's astonishing to see the contempt the public sector has for the taxpayers and sound budgets. House Bill 5566, 5567, 5568, 5569 and 5570 are contemptible and simply kick the fiscal responsibility can down the road. It was painful to read the twisted finagling and warping of simple logic and accounting principles. These fake methods of addressing the real issues just compound the problems, making them more expensive in the long run.

It's time for the public sector to face the harsh realities of budgets just like the private sector faces everyday. Municipalities should shoulder the burden of their bad decision-making just like everybody else. It is unwise and unjust to have these types of taxpayer loans, advances and bailouts. It just subsidizes irresponsibility. How stupid.

The last thing we need is a new bureaucracy created to oversee practices that won't even address the basic problem of public sector over-spending. The taxpayers deserve better. The taxpayers deserve public officials that handle their money with respect and with responsibility. These proposed bills simply would maintain the status quo of government entitlement, government greed, and government first. I say NO. Enough. It's time for municipality budget shortfalls and debts to be handled the same way the private sector handles this type of thing on a daily basis With CUTS IN SPENDING.

I ask you to reject these bills.

Thank you for your service and your time.

My Best,

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